in Sanskrit literature and introduce them to the main current of Irvdia'p cultural tradition mirrored in it. Doordarshan has recently introduced a weekly programme for 15 minutes in Sanskrit w.e.f. May 29, 198S. ft is telecast on National Network the morning transmission.

Wheat unfit for human consumption

i. SHRl KAILASH PATJ . MISHRA-

SHRl ATAL BIHARI VAJ-PAYEE:

Will the Minister, of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state;

(a) the amounts of overnl! loses suffered by the Food Corporation of India iliie to the sub-standard wheat sent from U.P. (namely Naini. Jhansi and Onii) to \ angalorc'in the years 1984 and 1985;. the details of the result;-; of investigations and disciplinary action taken in this regard;

(b) the losses suffered by the FCI during each of the_ last three years and the current year due to various malpractices in purchases, storage and transit operations of Foodgrains including substandard purchases pilferage, shortage etc:' and

(C) the disciplinary actions taken agalajit >ns responsible and of those present committed" to criminal proceedings for punishment during this period?

THE . DFPTTTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRT D. L. BA1THA): (a) According to Audit, the Food Corporation of India incurred a loss of about Rs. 46 lakhs on freight, demurrage, cleaning/ upgradation etc. relating to sub-standard wheat despatched from depots at Naini, Orai and Jhansi in UP Region to Manga-lore. The FCT has initiated disciplinary aaition against 8 employees (telating to despatches from Naini to Mangalore, against 12 employees for despatches from Jhansi to Mangalore and against 6 employees for despatches from Orai to Mangalore.

(b) The transit and storage shortages of foodgrains incurred by the FCI for the years 1984-85 to 1986-87 are given be-low;—

Year	Purchase T Sales (Lakh MT)	Shortage (Lakh MT)	%of shor-tage over ' pur-chase sales
1984-S5	295.14	5.72	1-94
1985-86	368.40	5.[1])5	1.62
1986-87	398.96	6.51	i.63

(c) FCI has proceeded departmental^ against its employee;? for the years from 1985 to 1988 as Indicated below:—

Year -	Number of emply-yees proceeded against
1985 '	609
1986	823
1987 . .	654
1988 (up to May: 1988)	30*

Foodgrains Production

1311. SHR1 M A HFN 13 R A PRASA) > Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the production of foodgrains during 1987-88, State wise and Union Territory-wise;

(b) to what extent each State j Union Territory has been able to achieve the targets fixed in this regard; and

(c) what specific steps were taken bv Government to help the States to achieve the tasgetted production?

THF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE \NO COOPERATION IN THE MINIS-TRY OP \GRICULTURE (SHRI